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TO: Codex Contact Points
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FROM: Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission,
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00100 Rome, Italy

SUBJECT: Request for Comments at Steps 6 of the procedure:

- 1) *Draft revised Preamble of the GSFA*
- 2) *Draft Maximum Level for Total Aflatoxins in unprocessed almonds, hazelnuts and pistachios*
- 3) *Draft Maximum Levels for Cadmium in marine bivalve molluscs (excluding oysters and scallops) and in cephalopods (without viscera) and in polished rice*

DEADLINE: 30 January 2006

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BACKGROUND

1. The 37th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants advanced to Step 5 of the Procedure the *Proposed Draft revised Preamble of the GSFA*, the *Proposed Draft Maximum Level for Total Aflatoxins in unprocessed almonds, hazelnuts and pistachios*, and the *Proposed Draft Maximum Levels for Cadmium in marine bivalve molluscs (excluding oysters and scallops) and in cephalopods (without viscera) and in polished rice* (ALINORM 05/28/12, Appendices VII, XXII and XXVI).

2. The 28th Session (July 2005) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission adopted the above texts at Step 5 and advanced them to Step 6 (ALINORM 05/28/41, para, 71 and Appendix VI). They will be considered by the 38th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants (24-28 April 2006).

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

3. Comments are hereby requested at Step 6 on the *Draft revised Preamble of the GSFA*, the *Draft Maximum Level for Total Aflatoxins in unprocessed almonds, hazelnuts and pistachios*, and the *Draft Maximum Levels for Cadmium in marine bivalve molluscs (excluding oysters and scallops) and in cephalopods (without viscera) and in polished rice*, as presented in Appendices VII, XXII and XXVI of ALINORM 05/28/12. The texts are available from the Codex website at the following address: ftp://ftp.fao.org/codex/alinorm05/al28_12e.pdf

4. Governments and international organizations wishing to provide comments should do so in writing, *preferably by e-mail*, to the above addresses **before 30 January 2006**.